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Community Calendar

TODAY

Financial Planning for Initial Permanent Change of Station

9-10:30 a.m., Room B-206, Education Center. Mandatory for junior enlisted Soldiers preparing to PCS for the first time. For information, call 751-5256.

Anger Management

11 a.m. to noon, Classroom 10, 5614 Hood St. Class focuses on identifying, managing anger triggers. For information, call 751-6325.

Breastfeeding

2-5 p.m., Classroom 10, 5614 Hood St. Training, support for mothers who wish to nurse. For information, call 751-6325/9035/6724.

Vista Lights

5-9 p.m., Gervais Street businesses. Commander Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier and Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin will light the tree topper at 7 p.m. Military Families are invited to a VIP area at the Blue Marlin, which will offer drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

FRIDAY

Civilian Personnel Advisory Center health fair

9 a.m. to noon, Marion Room, Solomon Center. Insurance carriers will answer questions on updates, changes to 2015 health plans. For more information, contact Gloria Dawkins, 751-4016.

Native American heritage luncheon

11:30 a.m., NCO Club.

Family of the Year ceremony

4 p.m., Solomon Center. The Family of the Year will be announced and all nominees recognized for their contributions to the Fort Jackson community.

SATURDAY

CYSS Family Fun Festival

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Solomon Center. The Child, Youth and School Services Family Fun Festival will feature free activities, games, mechanical rides and prizes. The Fort Jackson Fire Department also will participate.

Turkey Trot 5K run/walk

8 a.m., Semmes Road recreation area.

TUESDAY

Story time at the library

11:30 a.m., Thomas Lee Hall Library.

Postwide Thanksgiving service

1 p.m., Macgruder Chapel, 4360 Macgruder Ave.. Open to the Fort Jackson community, and the day's

graduates and Families. Dessert will follow service.

WEDNESDAY

Maternity briefing

9-10 a.m., Room 8-85, Moncrief Community Army Hospital. For pregnant Soldiers, their Families. For information, call 751-6325/9035/6724/2731.

Bright Honeybee play Group

10-11:30 a.m., Classroom 8, 5614 Hood St. Designed to help parents learn developmentally appropriate play. Open to active-duty, retired personnel; Family. For information, call 751-6325/9035/6724/2731.

Family bingo

4-7 p.m., Victory Bingo. Family-friendly prizes and pizza. The event and pizza will be provided free to military Families.

NOV. 26

Thanksgiving Day buffet

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Officers' Club. \$17.95, members; \$21.95, nonmembers. Reservations required. Call 803-782-8761.

DEC. 1

Healthy Relationships

11 a.m. to noon, Classroom 10, 5614 Hood St. Discussion-based class designed to foster emotionally healthy relationships. Open to Soldiers, retirees, DOD civilians and Families. Call 751-6325 for information or to register.

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11:30 a.m., Thomas Lee Hall Library.

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Time-Warner job fair

10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Room 222, Strom Thurmond Building. Interviews for customer-service positions. Open to military personnel and spouses, surviving spouses, veterans, DOD

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Deadline for events to be included in the calendar or Happenings is one week before publication. Include the time, date and place the event will occur, as well as other necessary information.

If you submit an article on an event that already has taken place, please send it as soon as possible. Tuesday is the last day we will be able to accept an article for publication the following Thursday. Include the date and place of the event, as well as a description of what took place. Please include quotations, if possible.

With any photo you submit, include IDs — including rank, unit, and first and last names.

Questions? Call 751-7045.

civilians. For information, call 751-5452.

Christmas tree, menorah lighting
5 p.m., post headquarters.

DEC. 3

Newcomer orientation

9 a.m., NCO Club. Mandatory for Soldiers assigned to Fort Jackson for the first time. Spouses welcome. Child care available to those who call 751-4865 in advance.

Stress Management

11 a.m. to noon, Classroom 10, 5614 Hood St. Workshop designed to help participants manage the effects of stress. Call 751-6325 for information or to register.

Evening story time

6:30 p.m., Thomas Lee Hall Library.

DEC. 6

Handbell choir

9:30 a.m., Main Post Chapel. The chapel's handbell choir will provide special music during worship. All are invited to attend.

DEC. 7

Child-safety awareness

initial training

5-7 p.m., Classroom 10, 5614 Hood St. Two-hour training workshop on how to recognize, respond to child abuse. Open to active-duty and retired Soldiers, DOD civilians and some Family members. Call 751-6325 to register.

DEC. 8

Steps to Federal Employment for Military Spouses

9-11:30 a.m., Room 222, Strom Thurmond Building. Targeted to military spouses by open to all military and DOD cardholders. For information, call 751-5256 or email Barbara.L.Martin.civ@mail.mil.



Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS

Lt. Prentis Jackson, with the FDNY's health and fitness team, shows two Soldiers how to properly perform a deadlift. Sgt. 1st Class Angela Guigni, an advanced individual training instructor at the U.S. Army Chaplain School, said it was 'great to train with' the firefighters. The firefighters were on Fort Jackson learning the best practices for training new recruits.

Army-FDNY partnership fires up trainers

By ROBERT TIMMONS
Fort Jackson Leader

Eleven drill instructors from New York City's Fire Department are ending a 12-day visit to Fort Jackson designed to let them compare best practices and to see how the Army integrates gender into its training.

Six instructors have watched how Army drill sergeants interact with their troops, and five others have attended the Master Fitness Training Course at the Army Physical Fitness School, as part of a partnership between FDNY and the post.

While they are at Fort Jackson, the firefighters are "basically adopting the best practices of the Army," said Rob Derrik, senior drill instructor at the New York Fire Academy and an academy drill instructor observing Basic Combat Training.

"We are trying to pick up some stuff that we can utilize when we are training firefighters," he said. "There are a lot of similarities between what they do and what we do."

"They train on much larger scale. It's a much larger number, but we can still adapt their practices to our (probationary firefighters)."

Probationary firefighters, or "probies," are recruits going through the academy or those on a trial status.

FDNY is considered the largest, busiest and most highly skilled emergency-response agency. Roughly the size of an Army division, it employs more than 10,000 firefighters, 3,500 fire marshals, 300 fire inspectors, 400 dispatchers and 800 support personnel.

In the 16 years since Derrik began firefighting "tactics have changed, proven practices have changed," and the technology used to fight fires has changed, making adap-

tations necessary.

Derrik said he was impressed by the way drill sergeants "talk to people on the same level and lift up people who are not up to standards."

It's important for firefighters to train their probies correctly because New York deserves the best, he said.

Everyone loves the department, he said, so "it's our job to hold up our end of our reputation."

Capt. Jeffrey Christensen, commander of Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, said the firefighters learned a lot from watching his unit at the single-target range.

"They came out to observe training and see how the drill sergeants interacted with trainees, and get some ideas they can take back to their academy," Christensen said. "They came up with some good ideas to bring home with them (because) the way we approach training is very similar."

The two organizations are more similar than one might imagine. Both train thousands of personnel yearly, in ways that are both mentally and physically demanding.

At the Master Fitness Course, five firefighters learned how they could emulate the Army's views on physical training.

Lt. Thomas Tanzosh, director of the health and fitness team tasked with overseeing the physical training of probies at FDNY, breezed through most of the training but also helped some Soldiers with techniques they could use to lift better.

Tanzosh's team is also charged with the health and wellness of the firefighters in the field.

"I think we will incorporate a little more of the mobility (exercises) into our program for probationary firefight-

ers and coach them up more on body maintenance that they can perform on ourselves," he said.

The partnership had borne fruit even before the current visit.

"We have adopted the preparation drills from the Army, and we do use that now as our warmup drills in probationary school to prepare the body for exercise. We have also done some of their temp work — 30s 60s and 120s — we've incorporated that into our running program as well."

Tanzosh characterized firefighter training as tough and very physical. Those not in shape before entering the academy have trouble, he said.

"They work out four times a week," he said while waiting to be graded on his participation in the Master Fitness Course. "They have a functional-skills test, which is the 13 essential firefighting tasks they do in full gear, and on air with their masks on their backs."

Potential firefighters must work on aerobic and muscular strength because the FDNY "doesn't want a marathon runner but someone who can go up the stairs — but when they are at the top the stairs can do their work."

Not only did the firefighters learn from the Army training, they imparted their knowledge to other students in the course.

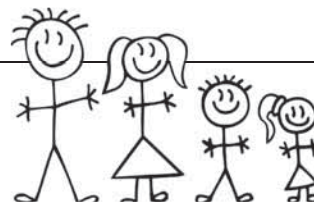
Sgt. 1st Class Angela Guigni, an Advanced Individual Training instructor at the U.S. Army Chaplain School, was having trouble performing deadlifts, and FDNY's Lt. Prentis Jackson gave her and other Soldiers tips to make the exercise easier.

"It's great to train with them," Guigni said. "We should look at their dedication" and try to emulate it.

"It broadens the mind."

14 FAMILIES

nominated for yearly distinction



From Staff Reports

Fort Jackson's Family of the Year for 2015 will be announced at 4 p.m. Friday, during a ceremony at the Solomon Center.

Fourteen Families received nominations this year, and each will be recognized.

Below are the names of those nominated, listed alphabetically by surname. Listings also include the unit in which each military Family member serves, as well as the person making the nomination and something he or she said on the nomination form.

Families are judged by their displays of individual growth (25 percent), love and teamwork (25 percent), and friendship and service (50 percent).

■ Benitez, Staff Sgt. Laurentino and Julia, Moncrief Army Community Hospital. Endorsed by Col. Traci Crawford. Both parents are attending college while also being involved in the education of their three children. They share cooking and cleaning duties, and support one another's sports and school events. They have helped families in need over the holidays, as well as with disaster relief.

■ Cain, Staff Sgt. Randy and Gisela, Delta Company, 369th Adjutant General Battalion. Endorsed by Capt. Timothy S. Hughes. The Cains stress academic achievement for their three children. The Family members share chores and spend time together when possible. They are involved in church and Scout activities, and Gisela Cain has worked through her employer to improve health care nationwide.

■ Corey, Staff Sgt. Harold and Birgit, 17th Military Police Detachment. Endorsed by Capt. Jeremiah Hunt. After the birth of their son, the Coreys worked to balance their own time and that of other Families by forming play groups. They work to solve difficulties through constant communication and volunteer with his unit's Family Readiness Group, planning events and making those new to Fort Jackson feel welcome.

■ Green, 1st Sgt. Andre and Sgt. 1st Class Tanya, Echo Company, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Milford Beagle. 1st Sgt. Green volunteers his time as a basketball referee and coordinates sports events for his unit. An inspiring leader, Sgt. 1st Class Green was selected a drill sergeant leader at the Drill Sergeant Academy. Their four children understand the de-

mands of their parents' work, and help with paperwork and attend events to support them.

■ Holder, Sgt. 1st Class Robert and Christina, MACH. Endorsed by Col. Crawford. Holder is active with post Scouting, and provides support to fellow Soldiers during deployment. Christina Holder has worked with child care on post and edits the newsletter for Protestant Women of the Chapel. She also has been extraordinarily active in volunteer efforts on post. The Holders' three daughters work diligently in school and extracurricular activities.

■ McKelvey, Sgt. 1st Class Kyle and Yvette, 3rd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Beagle. Yvette McKelvey is active in the 193rd Infantry Brigade's Family Readiness Group, and both teach Sunday School. The couple share household chores with their two young sons, volunteer at Harvest Hope Food Bank and have poured their efforts into recent flood relief. They are devoted to one another and their community.

■ Moritz, Staff Sgt. Kevin and Rebecca, 3rd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Thomas Sheehan. Moritz has worked with both victims of domestic violence and those affected by recent flooding. Both are active in Scouting, along with their children – through which the Moritzes' daughter also helps those affected by domestic violence. Rebecca Moritz is active in the unit's FRG, often providing dinners on training nights.

■ Paukert, Maj. Zachary and Martina, Dental Activity. Endorsed by Col. Dan Fong. Paukert has served as a national dental consultant and as point man for renovation of the Hagan Dental Clinic. Martina Paukert, a social worker, helps Soldiers make the transition into civilian life. The couple, high school sweethearts, and their three children are active in their church and their neighborhood, working to bring people together.

■ Rogers, Capt. Angela and Sgt. 1st Class Scott, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 193rd Infantry Brigade. Endorsed by Col. Beagle. The Rogerses are active church and community volunteers, along with a son who still lives at home. They welcome young church members to their home for activities and support their son's myriad extracurricular activities.

■ Smitson, Staff Sgt. James and Andrea, Delta Company, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Beagle. A drill sergeant, Smitson participates in post intramural sports. Andrea Smitson is a Scout leader, leads the unit readiness group and works with her children's school. Their children perform well in school and are active in Scouting.

■ Turley, Sgt. 1st Class Joseph and Michelle, Alpha Company, 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Sheehan. The Turleys keep their marriage vibrant by attending workshops. Their son is a Scout and excellent student. All three members attended this year's John and Jane Wayne Day to test their fitness levels, and Michelle and son Joe support Turley even as he works into the night, supporting him and the unit's mission.

■ Voorhees, Sgt. 1st Class John and Maureen, Alpha Company, 369th AG Battalion. Endorsed by Capt. Domeca O. Henderson. The couple are active in the lives of both of their children – Scouting for their daughter and nurturing in the face of their son's special needs. They work to help others with similar needs as those of their son. The entire Family believes in selfless service to school and community. Among their beneficiaries is the Harvest Hope Food Bank.

■ Wade, Staff Sgt. Jason and Shannon, 3rd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment. Endorsed by Col. Sheehan. Wade worked to evacuate those displaced by recent flooding in the city of Columbia. Shannon Wade also works to make new Soldiers in the 3-39th feel appreciated and welcomed, photographing unit activities and managing its finances. Their love and teamwork extends to the greater Army community.

■ Wangness, Staff Sgt. Scott and Dana, Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 171st Infantry Brigade. Endorsed by 1st Lt. Aaron Lopez. Wangness and Dana Wangness are active with post Scouting. She is a member of the Victory Spouses' Club and has been recognized postwide for her volunteer efforts. The couple's three children excel in school, and are active in Scouts and volunteer effort. Every Family member is Red Cross certified, and all participate in activities with Fort Jackson's Directorate of Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation.



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- » **Palmetto Greens Miniature Golf:** Free round of golf at Palmetto Greens for each member of the Family on Saturdays and Sundays.
- » **Weston Lake:** Free daily canoe or kayak rental.
- » **Marion Street Station:** Free bike rentals all month.
- » **Retail Zone:** 25% off all purchases at the Retail Zone. (Excludes close-out and sales.)
- » **Officers' Club:** Kids Eat Free all month with purchase of adult meal.
- » **Frame Shop:** 25% off framing for Family portraits.
- » **Fitness:** Participate in any fitness class for FREE!
- » **Special Golf Rates for Families:** Saturdays and Sundays after 2 p.m. Families can golf at a discount. Families get unlimited golf and cart 2 p.m. - close. \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids for round of golf all month long.

Special Events

- » **Families of the Year** - Nov 20 (4 p.m.) Recognition Ceremony at the Solomon Center.
- » **Ladies Night Out** - Nov 20 At Balfour Beatty Community Center. Wine glass painting, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Open to all DoD ID cardholders. RSVP by Nov. 13: (803)738-8275.
- » **Turkey Trot** - Nov 21 (8 a.m.) at the Semmes Road Recreation Area



CYSS FAMILY FUN FEST

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Saturday, Nov 28 (12 - 9 p.m.)

Sunday, Nov 29 (1 - 8 p.m.)



FOR SOLDIERS FOR FAMILIES FOR RETIRES FOR CIVILIANS



U.S. Army photos MICHAEL MASCARI, 81st Regional Support Command

Students from Fort Jackson's two elementary schools receive goody bags and a reminder to 'be drug free' from members of the Ready and Resilient Campaign team. The bags contain coloring books and other material that promote a drug-free life.

81st RSC helps keep kids on straight and narrow

By **MICHAEL MASCARI**
Public Affairs,
81st Regional Support Command

The 81st Regional Support Command reached out to the JROTC programs at two local high schools and Fort Jackson's elementary schools as part of Red Ribbon Week.

Using simulators to show the effects of drug or alcohol misuse, as well as educational materials, Soldiers showed students how making the wrong choices could affect them.

"The students like this because it's something different," said Charles White, Army JROTC instructor at Blythewood High School. "The hands-on activities are a good learning tool because the kids are up and moving around, not sitting through a lecture."

"When I discuss the program with parents of the kids who have participated, they talk about how their kids really enjoyed the drug and alcohol training."

The program honors Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Agency agent tortured and killed by a drug cartel in 1985. Camarena's work as an agent led to the discovery of a multimillion-dollar narcotics operation in Mexico.

Residents of Camarena's hometown wore red ribbons to honor him.

In response, First Lady Nancy Reagan launched an anti-drug campaign using the ribbon as its symbol.

Kent McMillian, 81st RSC alcohol- and drug-control officer, works with area schools, presenting educational programs with hands-on opportunities for the students.

"It is a national campaign for drug- and alcohol-

awareness education for school-age children, but adults have participated in this program as well," McMillian said. "The earlier (children) get the information and the longer they have to process the information, the higher the likelihood they'll make better choices when it comes to drugs and alcohol."

The JROTC programs make a great target audience for the Army Reserve, since many of those students will become citizen Soldiers, McMillian said.

The JROTC program featured handouts, a "Family Feud"-style game and two exercises for student participation.

The hands-on exercises – two inebriation simulators – were the overwhelming student favorites.

Students put on goggles that distorted their vision the way excessive alcohol or drug consumption might impair them. Then they tried to walk a straight line.

The second simulator involved driving a vehicle without the glasses, then with the goggles while others observed.

"It was very blurry," said Blythewood JROTC cadet Jasmine Mills. "I thought I was walking a straight line until I took the goggles off and I figured out I was nowhere near the line I was supposed to be walking on."

Mills said the experience of losing an uncle to an alcohol-related cause and the training she received through Red Ribbon Week were an eye-opening combination. She hopes other students take the course.

"Before, I thought it was joke, and I didn't really take it seriously," she said. "Now that I've experienced loss in my own family, and to see through the simulators what the effects are firsthand, it will cause me to think harder about the decisions I make down the road."



Jasmine Wells, a JROTC cadet from Blythewood High School, navigates the 'white line' while wearing goggles that simulate intoxication.



Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS

Nancy Martinez pins the drill sergeant badge onto the blouse of her husband, Staff Sgt. Angel Martinez, during a ceremony at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy as their son, Pvt. Nathaniel Blake Ortiz, holds his 2-year-old sister, Angelys. Martinez and Ortiz trained on Fort Jackson at the same time.

So close by, yet so far away

By ROBERT TIMMONS
Fort Jackson Leader

One father and son on Fort Jackson trained so close to each other, they could have met every day. Yet they saw each other only twice – the first time by happenstance and the second, at the father's graduation.

Staff Sgt. Angel Martinez, who just completed training at the Drill Sergeant Academy, didn't like that his stepson, Pvt. Nathaniel Blake Ortiz, could have been just down the block but out of sight.

Ortiz is in the final stages of Basic Combat Training with Delta Company, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment and is scheduled to graduate today.

"I had mixed emotions," Martinez said, after his wife Nancy pinned his drill sergeant badge on him while his stepson and daughter watched Nov. 9. "It's really frustrating knowing he is just down the street, and I can't go see him."

The chances of a father and stepson attending training at Fort Jackson at the same time are rare, but being able to see each other is like finding the Ark of the Covenant by accident. Still, the coincidences kept coming: To begin with, the two left for training 48 hours apart.

"When I received my orders, he asked where I was going and when I would leave," said Ortiz, the oldest child in a family with two other boys and two girls. "I said I would be leaving at this date, and he said he would be

leaving two days earlier."

When Martinez left, it was difficult, Nancy Ortiz said, but when Staff Sgt. Ortiz left for Fort Jackson, things became even more difficult for her and her 2-year-old daughter, Angelys.

"When Blake left, it was very emotional with my daughter," she said, noting her husband and son helped a lot around the house and with Angelys.

The pin-on ceremony wasn't the first time Martinez and Ortiz met each other at Jackson – they had met briefly during early-morning physical training.

As part of the drill sergeant course, candidates help units conduct PT and other tasks.

Ortiz didn't know his stepfather was even at his formation until midway through the bend-and-reach exercise.

He could hear the drill sergeants telling Soldiers how to perform better and didn't know anyone was talking him in particular until he heard his name called.

"I was in the middle of an exercise when I heard someone say, 'Pvt. Ortiz, look between your legs.' I looked between my legs as I reached my arms back and saw him smiling at me."

Many Soldiers find inspiration from parents in uniform, but for Ortiz, things go far beyond that. From his stepfather, he learned how to handle stress and prepare for life as a Soldier.

Ortiz is a good Soldier "who never broke under stress," said Pvt. Blake Alvarez, Ortiz's closest friend in his pla-

toon. "He is always calm, collected and very respectful. It's partially played a factor because his personality" is so even.

Having a father in the service allowed Ortiz to have "better insight than most people" coming into basic training, Alvarez said.

For his part, Ortiz said he just tried to do everything right and follow his stepfather's example.

"Every day, I tried my best," said Ortiz, who will be going to Advanced Individual Training to become an Army cryptologist. "I did everything I was supposed to."

Before joining, Ortiz had bounced around from post to post as his stepfather was transferred. The Family made stops at Fort Irwin, California – which Ortiz wasn't overly fond of – and spent two years in Germany, which he loved.

"I feel proud of him," Martinez said of his stepson. "Growing up, he was always a good kid. He had good habits and didn't get into trouble."

After the pin-on ceremony, Martinez looked at Ortiz and smiled.

Ortiz "should work hard and seek to get better," advised Martinez, a 16-year veteran. "Don't get complacent like some E4s" – those who ride out their careers at a lower grade to avoid added responsibility.

"You have to stay hungry," he said. "It makes a big difference."

Martinez has taken a few days' leave so he can attend his stepson's graduation today.



"I BECAME A SOLDIER..."

Post commander Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier has an affection for talking to new Soldiers and hearing their stories. He says it reminds him that everyone on Fort Jackson is charged with building the best Soldiers in the world.

2ND BATTALION, 60TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

ALPHA COMPANY



PVT. JAMAL BRANCH, 22

"I joined the Army because my brother is a supply specialist, and he is going to be an Army Ranger. (I want to go to Ranger School, too), so my brother can't beat me out. We have always had this kind of competition.

"I would recommend to people to not go to basic training in the fall; come in the summertime. It rained too much. It was our first (field training exercise), and it was pouring down rain, and we had to eat in it.

"I liked going to the shooting range because I never shot a weapon before.

"I think my family is proud. My father was in the Service, and my brother is in the service."

BRAVO COMPANY



SPC. GARY WU, 27

"I wanted to have the opportunity to serve my country. There are a lot of things around the world that are challenging the United States, and I wanted to do my part in contributing to America's goals.

"Working together as a team is the most challenging part, no matter how strong individually or how weak individually you are.

"I liked Omaha (range), the buddy-team live-fire drill – to me, that was as realistic as you can get. We were moving in buddy teams with one person on the other side firing live rounds while running from one cover to another. That was the closest, I felt, that we came to simulated combat.

"My family was a little surprised (I joined) because I'm a little older. But in the end, they were very supporting of me because I made a conscious decision to take some time ... to serve my country."

CHARLIE COMPANY



PVT. SAMUEL WIGHTMAN, 21

"I love working on vehicles, and I thought a helicopter would be a neat, new addition to vehicles I can work on. And they still may get some action – I thought about that as well.

"(I joined because) I wanted to understand my country a little better. Back at home as a teenager, it's really difficult to see the bigger picture. You can get a wider sight as a military man.

"Teamwork is essential; you can't do it alone. They stress it pretty heavily in basic training.

"I liked (field training exercise) 3, where we went out into a scenario and fight other combatants. It was very realistic. We had casualties in fire-fights, and we had to run back and carry them on our shoulder. It was by far the most realistic.

"My family was proud because they saw me moving forward in a direction I wanted to go."

3RD BATTALION, 39TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

DELTA COMPANY



PVT. BENJAMIN DENNY, 18

"My father was a first sergeant, and I was always around the military lifestyle, so I knew that was what I was about.

"I chose my MOS (human resource specialist) because the position I was offered was close to the college I will be attending in the future. My major will be international relations.

"It takes a lot of discipline and teamwork and ability to follow orders to the T.

"My favorite part was red phase because all the confusion that it causes and all the activities coming together to understand what's going on and how it affects me.

"My family is very proud because I am taking after my father (who is first sergeant in the 437th Civil Affairs Battalion at Fort Stewart, Georgia,) and my older brother (who is in the Air Force in Arkansas)."

ECHO COMPANY



PVT. RACHAEL GROSZEK, 19

"I wanted to see what the Army could do for me as I try to better myself. I knew that if I joined I could have a good future for myself.

"The whole thing is a huge learning experience in general. You learn about yourself, about the people you came with, about people you meet, about loyalty and how to work as a team.

"I liked the range because I never shot a weapon before. The range the first time when we were zeroing was kind of hard for me, but when we first went to the range and shot all the targets, I did good. I got a 33 on my marksmanship.

"I signed a six-year contract. I hope that I am a leader (after five years), or a sergeant leading people."

CHARLIE COMPANY



PFC. EMMA STEWART, 21

"I joined because I felt I needed more discipline in my life. I knew I needed it because – being the youngest and only girl in my family – I wanted to be independent and make something out of myself.

"It is a hard experience, and it definitely tasks your mental abilities. If you actually try to put your whole entire heart into it, you can get through.

"My favorite part of basic training was meeting everyone that I did and being able to test my abilities, having gone through it and helping everybody. You meet so many different people of so many different cultures, so many different backgrounds, so many different personalities. It all comes into one. No matter what (one) person does, their battle buddy will be there for them."



Job Popkowski cheers on the Columbia parade from the lap of his grandmother, Barbara Livingston.



Maj. Gen Roger Cloutier – with his wife, Diane – salutes as a color guard marches by the review stand.



Henry Hipps, a World War II veteran, enjoys the Columbia Veterans Day parade from the reviewing stand.

VETERANS DAY

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO SERVED

Photos by JENNIFER STRIDE



Third-graders at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School conduct a parade on Nov. 10. Parents, community members and students cheered them on.

Courtesy photo

Soldiers from the 369th Adjutant General Battalion march past the reviewing stand at Columbia's annual Nov. 11 parade.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILD-CARE CREDIT

Because of disruptions caused by last month's flooding, garrison commander Col. James Ellerson has directed that each patron of Child, Youth and School Service receive two days of prorated credit against unpaid November or December child-care charges. For more information, contact CYSS coordinator Rose Edmond at 751-1672.

FLU SHOTS AT MACH

Moncrief Army Community Hospital will offer flu shots 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, as well as 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesdays on the 10th floor of the hospital.

MACH SICK CALL

The Moncrief Army Community Hospital sick call – in the Urgent Care Clinic/Integrated Medical Health Home waiting room – is for only permanent-party members on active duty whose primary-care managers are at the hospital or Moncrief Medical Home. Soldiers in training will be seen at McWethy Troop Medical Clinic. Sick call is for acute care only. Appointments for routine care will not be made during sick call hours. Patients may sign in from 5-7 a.m. Monday through Friday (excluding training/federal holidays), or call in for appointment at 751-4464. The sick call appointment line will not schedule appointments after 7 a.m. Prospective patients must be signed in or call before 7 a.m. to schedule a same day-appointment. For other appointments, call 751-CARE (2273) between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

LAST-MINUTE DONATION DRIVE

The U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School and Fort Jackson's Sgt. Audie Murphy Club are collecting Thanksgiving foodstuffs to help replenish food banks hit by heavy demand after local flooding. Donations may include canned ham, stuffing mix, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, Jiffy mixes, canned green beans, canned pumpkin and instant mashed pota-

toes. Drop off contributions at the top of the stairs in the Chaplain Center by Friday.

DENTAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM

Military ID cardholders may become dental assistants as part of a partnership between the American Red Cross and Fort Jackson's Dental Activity. The dental assistant program will begin Jan. 25, offering 80 hours of classroom instruction. Students then will undertake 600 hours of chairside assistance. Those wishing to take part in the program must have earned a high school diploma or equivalent, have current immunizations, be a dependent of a Service member or retired Service member, and be a U.S. citizen. Applications will be available until Dec. 2 at Fort Jackson DENTAC or the Red Cross, Building 4512. For more information, call the Red Cross at 751-4329 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays or email wilfredo.solis@redcross.org.

DES OFFICE CLOSURE

The Directorate of Emergency Services Police Administrative Office will close Nov. 26 and 27.

PERSONAL VEHICLE SAFETY

Soldiers and Department of Defense civilians should be aware that some of their personal vehicles are subject to manufacturers' safety recalls. Vehicle owners may see whether their vehicles are subject to recall by visiting vinrel.safercar.gov/vin/. Service members also may contact their servicing Vehicle Processing Center to determine whether their vehicles will be accepted for shipment or storage when the Soldiers transfer or are deployed. If he wishes his vehicle to be stored, an owner must provide documented proof from a certified mechanic/dealership authorized by the manufacturer to perform recall-notice repairs or a printout from the SAF-ERCAR website showing his vehicle has no unresolved recalls.

FOR FAMILIES

■ On Fridays in November, Families – or four friends – may enjoy a night of bowling during the Family (or Friends!) Bowl-

ing Special at Century Lanes. Cost is \$35 for lane rental for two hours, balls, shoes, pizzas and sodas. Offer available 7-9 p.m.

■ The Georgia Aquarium in Atlanta is offering discounted admission for Military Families on Mondays through December. The friends and Families of current and former military, and veterans are eligible for a 30 percent discount, while the member of the military gets in free. Those wishing to take advantage of the discount must present their military IDs at the aquarium ticket counter. Online tickets are not available. For more information, visit GeorgiaAquarium.org.

■ On-post mothers are invited to "No Excuses, Mom" weekly exercise sessions. Those living in the Balfour Beatty communities meet at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays at 520 Brown Ave. Residents of other communities meet at the SKIES building at 6100 Chesnut Road. Participants should provide their own water, towels and mats.

SPORTS

Children and youth who wish to play winter basketball or learn cheerleading may register through Friday. Cost for basketball is \$20 for those 4 to 6 years old, and \$40 for those 6 to 15. Cost for cheerleading is \$20 for 3- to 5-year-olds and \$40 for 6- to 12-year-olds. For information, call sports director Darius Lane at 751-7451 or darius.k.lane.nafj@mail.mil.

HOUSING NEWS

■ The Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation is looking to reward good neighbors for random acts of kindness. During November, residents of post housing may nominate neighbors for such acts. When the month has ended, representatives of Balfour Beatty Housing and FMWR will decide winners. Names and descriptions of good deeds should be submitted to the housing office by Monday.

■ New hours for Balfour Beatty Community Center are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays.

■ If you will be on leave for an extended period, call the work-order desk at 803-787-6416 to ask housing personnel to check on your house while you are away.

■ If you are relocating to a community where Balfour Beatty Communities manages the housing, choosing to stay with Balfour Beatty can earn you \$100. Call the housing office for details.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

The Fort Jackson Thrift Shop will be closed Nov. 24-30 and Dec. 22 through Jan. 4. The shop has begun accepting winter clothing and will accept Christmas items through Dec. 3. Accompany your shopping with karaoke on Wednesdays in December. After the holidays, no consignments will be accepted until Jan. 12. The Thrift Shop is at 4713 Lee Road in the Mini Mall. Call 803-787-2153 for information, or visit 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, or 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays. Consignment hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and bookkeeping hours, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

EXCHANGE NEWS

Army & Air Force Exchange Services will open its doors for people to line up at 2 a.m. on Black Friday. The Exchange itself not make sales until 4 a.m. On Saturday, Nov. 28, sales will begin at 8 a.m. Regular hours will resume Nov. 29.

COMMISSARY NEWS

■ The Fort Jackson Commissary will be open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, to accommodate Thanksgiving shoppers.

■ The Commissary will hold its first Black Friday Weekend Extravaganza Sale 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 27-29.

■ Commissary users may help junior Soldiers and Families in need through the Commissary Gift Card program. For information, visit www.commissaries.com/giftcardindex.cfm.

Fort Jackson Movie Schedule 3319 Jackson Blvd. PHONE: 751-7488

'Crimson Peak' will begin at the post theater Nov. 20.



Friday

"Crimson Peak" (R), 7 p.m.

Sunday

"The Martian" (PG-13), 2 p.m.
"Bridge of Spies" (PG-13), 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday

"The Martian" (PG-13), 2 p.m.
"Captive" (PG-13), 4:30 p.m.

TICKETS

Adult: \$5.50
Child (6 to 11): \$3

3-D TICKETS

Adult: \$7.50
Child (6 to 11): \$5

● Ticket sales open 30 minutes before each movie.
● Movie times and schedule subject to change without notice.



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Mud pack

Soldiers in training with the 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment emerge, muddy and hungry, from low-crawling at the Omaha Beach fire and movement range. Above, one looks at his Meal Ready to Eat through muddy eye protection. At right, another shows his delighted approval of the experience. At left – apparently after washing at least his hands – a trainee chows down on his Meal Ready to Eat.



Korea vet dogged by beautiful memories

By JENNIFER STRIDE
Fort Jackson Leader

Nearly 40 years after battle buddies Ron Wescott and David Klein had served as dog handlers together in Korea, the two visited Fort Jackson to see how their duties would be handled today.

The visit last week was part of a surprise 60th-birthday present for Wescott, who traveled from Pennsylvania to see his old buddy from Delta Battery, 2nd Battalion, 44th Air Defense Artillery at Camp Huston in Yeosu, South Korea.

Before coming, Wescott had warned his wife, Kathy, that “if I come down (to Fort Jackson), I’m going to fall in love again.” And that’s pretty much what happened.

After attending graduation, Wescott, his Family and Klein were escorted to the kennels on post – which let loose a slew of memories.

“When we trained (in 1976), we were in Korea, so we had Quonset huts, and during the winter, we had little space heaters,” Wescott said. “We were out in the middle of rice paddies – nowhere near towns or villages.”

He explained to Sgt. Weston Reeves, a Fort Jackson dog handler, that facilities for the dogs were extremely basic – little dog houses outside with guillotine doors to keep the dogs in.

Soldiers at Fort Jackson have concrete buildings outfitted with refrigerators and stoves, he said.

“We had double-decker cots, and the difference is night and day. They have the conveniences I wish I had back then.”

After touring the kennels, the group headed outside to the obstacle course to watch a demonstration.

“Even in Korea, we had obstacle courses – not quite this detailed,” Wescott said as Reeves ran his 8-year old German shepherd, Gino, through the course.

“This working off leash is a beautiful thing to see,” Wescott said. “At least 40 years ago, not all dogs could do this.”

“My dog’s name was Duke. He was 10; he was the ‘papa’ or ‘grand-dog’ of all the dogs we had, and working off leash was second nature because he’d done it for so long.”

After Gino flew through the course, he got a few minutes of play time to visit with the group.

Wescott found himself smitten with Gino.

“This is wonderful,” he said. “I think I’m a teenager again for a couple of hours.”

“I’m a 60-year-old man that’s been instantly transformed back to 19 or 20 years old. It’s amazing.”

Then it was time for more training, with Gino sniffing out hidden items.

While watching Gino warn his master he had found something in the woods, Wescott explained that in Korea, dogs were strictly sentry dogs. They didn’t search for such things as explosives and drugs.

Several more Fort Jackson dogs and their handlers showed off their skills. One team recently returned from Afghanistan. Another handler had just returned from the same area of Korea that Wescott and Klein had been posted.

Wescott and Klein eagerly listened to the handlers’ stories, asking specifically about Korea.

It didn’t seem, Wescott said, that the relationship between military working dogs and their handlers had changed much, even though their experiences had.

“When you’re working 10,000, 12,000 miles from home, it’s Family,” he said of the dogs. “You know, you got very, very attached.”

“As much as these men (at Fort Jackson) are attached to their dogs, it’s going to be even more so.”



Photo by JENNIFER STRIDE

Ron Wescott, a former Army dog handler, gets some play time with military working dog Gino, an 8-year-old German shepherd, at Fort Jackson.



Courtesy photo

Spc. Ron Wescott of Delta Battery, 2nd Battalion, 44th Air Defense Artillery trains his dog, Duke, to attack at Camp Huston in Yeosu, South Korea in 1976.

Eat, drink and take caution

By **SANDRA BARNES**
Army Substance
Abuse Program

As we prepare for festivities with family and friends this holiday season, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Army Substance Abuse Program want to remind drivers that it's dangerous to drive after drinking.


The holidays may be filled with joyous celebrations, but they also can be a time for overindulgence.

Excessive alcohol consumption can lead to an array of serious consequences, such as fatalities and injuries sustained in car crashes. In 2013, 10,076 people died in drunken-driving crashes.

Every year, too many of our loved ones get behind the wheels of automobiles after drinking alcohol or using drugs, putting drivers, passengers and others on the road at risk.

We at the ASAP really want all drivers to understand that you don't have to be falling-down drunk to be impaired to drive.

Even if you drink only a little bit



For more information on the **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**, visit www.nhtsa.dot.gov. For questions about substance abuse, call the Army Substance Abuse Program at 751-5007/4785.

and think you're "OK to drive," your blood-borne alcohol still could be over the legal limit: Buzzed driving is drunk driving.

Choose your role before drinking begins: Will you drink, or will you drive?

And follow these safety tips:

- If you plan to consume alcohol, designate a sober driver before going out and give that person your car keys.
- Eat something before drinking.
- Be sure to wear your seatbelt before and after your holiday dinner. Buckle up every time you are in the vehicle.
- Limit your consumption of al-

cohol by spacing your drinks at least an hour apart.

- Alternate alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks.

- If you have been drinking, do not drive – even a short distance. Call a taxi, use mass transit or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely.

- Walking while impaired can be just as dangerous as driving drunk. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.

- Never drive when fatigued. The dangers are similar to those of driving while intoxicated. A driver who nods off at the wheel has no reaction and no judgment.

- If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact law enforcement when it is safe to do so.

- If you see someone you think is about to drive while impaired, take his keys and help him get home safely.

Let's sit around the table and enjoy each and every Family member. Give thanks for the blessings you have in your life, set limits, make good choices and enjoy your holiday.

Avoid this 'Spice' during the holidays

Army health officials have issued warnings about a synthetic drug called Spice that carries the highs of marijuana, as well as potentially deadly consequences.

George Suber, a prevention coordinator for the Army Substance Abuse Program on Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, says Spice has spiked in use in several American cities.

"This synthetic drug (has caused) people to do harm to themselves as well as others," he said. "This drug is affecting people's lives and killing folks."

Spice is a synthetic cannabinoid that drug dealers spray on plant materials to enhance its psychoactive effect. Also known as "K2," "Summit" and "Scooby Snax," Spice entered the United States in 2008.

In 2012, President Barack Obama signed the Synthetic Drug Abuse Prevention Act, categorizing synthetic marijuana as a Schedule 1 drug, making it a criminal act to distribute or use it.

"A lot of people (experience) paranoia, hallucinations and dizziness," Suber said. The drug also causes panic attacks and giddiness and, he said, can cause people to become violent.

While you're giving to others, help yourself, too

By KISHA A. TAYLOR
Thrift Savings Plan

You may feel compelled to spend extra time and money on gifts for others during the holidays, but don't forget to include someone special — yourself.

Following are a couple of ideas for your gift list:

■ **The gift of the TSP.** Investing in your retirement is one of the best rewards you can give yourself. As a member of the Armed Services, you are eligible to contribute to the Thrift Savings Plan, the largest defined contribution retirement plan in the world.

If you haven't already signed up, what are you waiting for? It takes less than five minutes. Just log into myPay and click the special section called "Traditional TSP and Roth TSP." Then, choose how much of your pay you'd like to save. Have questions? Call 1-877-968-3778 or talk to someone in your payroll office.

■ **The gift of growth.** Already contributing to the TSP? Now is a great time to increase your contributions for next year.

Thanks to compound earnings, even small changes can boost your retirement savings exponentially. Increasing your savings by as little as 1 percent each year can mean significantly more money over time.

Check out the "Paycheck Estimator" calculator to see how saving more might affect your take-home pay.

To learn more about compound earnings, visit [youtube.com/tsp4gov](https://www.youtube.com/tsp4gov) and watch the video "How Can Compound Earnings Work for Me?"

■ **The gift of tax-free earnings.** With Roth, you pay

taxes on your contributions up front, so you won't pay taxes on them when you retire.

Your earnings can be tax free if you meet certain Internal Revenue Service requirements. If you contribute tax-exempt pay earned in a combat zone, for example, your savings can really add up.

Use the "Contribution Comparison Calculator" to determine whether Roth or traditional contributions are best for you.

■ **The gift of knowledge.** It's always a great idea to stay up to date on your TSP knowledge. Check out TSP's YouTube channel to view informative videos, and follow TSP on Twitter to get bite-sized savings tips.

And don't keep the TSP a secret: Tell your military friends about its easy-to-understand investment options, Roth and traditional contributions, and the potential for exponential growth over time.

Your savings are yours to keep whether you're with the uniformed services for two years or 20.

So this holiday season, don't just make plans to spend time and money on gifts for others. Think about your future and the gift that keeps on giving: the TSP.



COMMUNITY SNAPSHOTS



The winners' lane

Winners of the recent Commander's Cup bowling tournament were 1st Sgt. Lisa King of the 120th Adjutant General Battalion, female high game with a score of 159, top left; Sgt. Sandra San Roman, female high series with a score of 404, left; and male high game (279) and high series (739) Staff Sgt. Adam Sherwood of the U.S. Drill Sergeants Academy. For the second year in a row, the 369th AG Battalion won unit-level competition.

Courtesy photos



Safety first

Post commander Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier attaches streamers to the flags of companies at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy, celebrating their development of ways to ensure enhanced troop and worker safety.

Courtesy photo





A father's honor

During the 81st Regional Support Command's annual Wildcat Dining Out on Nov. 6, Wildcat World War II veteran Wendall Clift, right, presents the Bronze Star to Bill and Don Dukes in honor of their father, William Everest Dukes. The Army posthumously awarded Dukes the medal for his service with the 81st Infantry Division during the war.

Courtesy photo



Buck shot

Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier shows off his award for Biggest Buck shot during a recent managed hunt on post. Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation chief Mike Elkins presented the award. FMWR will offer another managed hunt on Nov. 22.

Courtesy photo

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOTS



Relaxation station

Fort Jackson's leaders and several spouses take part in an intense yoga session that teaches proper breathing, relaxation and stretching designed to enhance function of the body's internal systems at The Big Red Barn outside Blythewood.



Fort Jackson's leaders and several spouses spent an hour and a half with horses in an Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association event at The Big Red Barn on Friday. The leaders were assessing the possibility of using the site for Soldiers struggling with post-traumatic stress and other difficulties.

Photos by JENNIFER STRIDE



Frosty and Clara

Columbia City Ballet performed 'Frosty the Snowman' (left, right) and 'The Nutcracker' (top) before enthusiastic audiences at the Solomon Center last week. The ballets were part of the post's Month of the Military Family celebration.

FMWR photos



THANKSGIVING DINNER SCHEDULE

DATE	BRIGADE	UNIT	BUILDING	TIMES
NOV. 25	Soldier Support Institute	369th Adjutant General Battalion	2302	11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
	Drill Sergeant Academy	DSA	9572	noon to 2 p.m.
	165th Infantry Brigade	1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment	11500	5-6:30 p.m.
NOV. 26	171st Infantry Brigade	120th AG Battalion	1875	10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
	193rd Infantry Brigade	3-13th Regiment	Quad 5455	11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
	193rd Infantry Brigade	3-60th Regiment	Quad 5455	11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
	165th Infantry Brigade	2-39th Regiment	10401	11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
	165th Infantry Brigade	3-34th Regiment	11900	11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
	193rd Infantry Brigade	2-13th Regiment	4270	noon to 3 p.m.

Retirees and guests of ID cardholders not assigned to units may dine:

DATE	UNIT	BUILDING	MILITARY DINING	RETIREEES/FAMILY MEMBERS
NOV. 26	3-13th, 3-60th	5455	11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.	1:30-4 p.m.

Holiday meal rates are \$9.05 standard and \$6.80 discount. Discount rates are for spouses and dependents of enlisted personnel in pay grades E-1 through E-4. All others will pay the standard rate. For information, call 751-7371/5556.



Photos by

Fisette's review

Sgt. 1st Class Bob Fisette rides in review of basic trainees graduating last Thursday. Fisette, who served as a sergeant first class in Vietnam, received the medals he had been awarded but not received during a ceremony led by post commander Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier. The Army cited Fisette 'for heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force ... on 11 November 1970 while serving as light weapons infantry adviser, 3d Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, Army of the Republic of Vietnam.' On Thursday, Fisette received his long-overdue Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

ANGLICAN/LITURGICAL
Sunday
8:30 a.m., worship, Bayonet Chapel
(Communion observed every Sunday.)

CATHOLIC
Sunday
■ 7:30 a.m., Sacrament of Reconciliation, Solomon Center
■ 8 a.m., Mass, Solomon Center
■ 10:30 a.m., Reconciliation (after Mass or by appointment), Main Post Chapel
■ 11 a.m., Mass, Main Post Chapel

Monday through Thursday, first Friday
11:30 a.m., Mass, Main Post Chapel

Wednesday
7 p.m., recitation of the Rosary, Main Post Chapel

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday
11:30 a.m., worship, Anderson Street Chapel

ISLAMIC
Sunday
8-10 a.m., Islamic studies, Main Post Chapel

Friday
12:45-1:30 p.m., Jumah services, Main Post Chapel

JEWISH
Sunday
■ 9:30-10:30 a.m., worship, Memorial

Chapel
■ 10:30-11:30 a.m., book study, Post Conference Room

LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Sunday
9:30-11 a.m., worship, Anderson Street Chapel

Wednesday
■ 3-5 p.m., LDS family social, Anderson Street Chapel
■ 7-8 p.m., LDS scripture study, Anderson Street Chapel

PROTESTANT
Sunday
■ 9 a.m., service, McCrady Chapel (SCARNG), McCrady Training Center
■ 9:30 a.m., Hispanic service, Magruder Chapel
■ 9:30 a.m., service, Main Post Chapel
■ 9:30 a.m., Chapel Next Bible study, Bayonet Chapel
■ 10 a.m., gospel worship service, Daniel Circle Chapel
■ 10:45 a.m., Sunday School, Main Post Chapel
■ 11 a.m., service, Memorial Chapel
■ 11 a.m., Chapel Next, Bayonet Chapel
■ 5-6:30 p.m., youth group, Chaplain Family Life Center

Monday
7 p.m., men's Bible study (PMOC), Chaplain Family Life Center

Tuesday
9 a.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible study, Main Post Chapel

Wednesday
7 p.m., gospel Bible study, Daniel Circle Chapel

Thursday
11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Fresh Encounter Bible study, Chaplain Family Life Center

ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS
Anderson Street Chapel, 2335 Anderson St., 751-7032
Bayonet Chapel, 9476 Kemper St., 751-6322/4542
Chaplain Family Life Center, 5460 Marion Ave. (parking lot side), 751-4961
Daniel Circle Chapel, 3359 Daniel Circle, 751-1297/4478
Education Center, 4581 Scales Ave. Gregg St., 751-3121/6318
McCrady Chapel (SCARNG), 3820 McCrady Road (at McCrady Training Center)
Magruder Chapel, 4360 Magruder Ave., 751-3883
Main Post Chapel, 4580 Scales Ave., 751-6469/6681
Memorial Chapel, 4470 Jackson Blvd., 751-7324
U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School, 10100 Lee Road, 751-8887
Warrior Chapel (120th Adjutant General Battalion), 1895 Washington St., 751-5086/7427

Fort Jackson Gate Operation Hours

GATE 1
Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday through Friday for inbound and outbound traffic.

GATE 2
Open around the clock daily.

GATE 4
Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday through Friday for inbound and outbound traffic.

GATE 5
Open 5-10 a.m. Monday through Friday for inbound and outbound traffic.
Closed 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Reopened 4-6 p.m. for outbound traffic only.

Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Saluting this BCT cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE. Photos by OITHIP PICKERT, Public Affairs Office.



**Staff Sgt.
Christopher Harris**
Alpha Company
2nd Battalion,
60th Infantry Regiment

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Spc. Michael Craig

**STUDENT LEADER OF
THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Michael Mead

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Scott Klimach

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Henry Acosta



**Staff Sgt.
Adam Gamache**
Bravo Company
2nd Battalion,
60th Infantry Regiment

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. James McKnight

**STUDENT LEADER
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Pvt. Max Ventura

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Darrin Wright

HIGH APFT
Spc. Gary Wu



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60th Infantry Regiment

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OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Chaowen Cao

**STUDENT LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Richard Veal

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Pvt. Richard Veal

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Outdoor Recreation's Managed Deer Hunt

Sunday, Nov 22 at Alpine Lodge & Heise Pond. Registration open now through Nov 19 at noon.

» Door prizes:

Therma cells, camo clothing, AAFES gift card for rifle and more!

» Event Features:

Archery demonstration by Jeffrey Archery, bonfire, lunch and dinner catered by Blue Marlin. Small arms area will not be used for hunting except for Nov 22nd.

» Event Time Line:

- » 4:30 - 5 a.m. - Continental breakfast/coffee
- » 5 - 5:15 a.m. - Safety Briefing
- » 5:15 - 5:30 a.m. - Hunters placement
- » 5:45 a.m. - All Hunters in stands
- » 10 - 10:30 a.m. - Hunters pick up
- » 11:15 a.m. - Lunch
- » 2:30 p.m. - Hunters in stands
- » 6 p.m. - Hunters pick up
- » 7 p.m. - Awards/dinner



» Event Cost:

Cost of the event is \$35 per hunter. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided to each participant. Hunters that do not win a lottery space that would like to participate in the evening meal and door prize drawing can purchase tickets for \$20 each online at www.fortjacksonmwr.com. (Limited space. Only 40 tickets available).

» Contact Information:

Call Melvin Jones at Marion Street Station for additional information at 751-3484. Open to all Active Duty Soldiers and ID card eligible hunters. Fort Jackson and State permits are required.

FORT JACKSON CHRISTMAS TREE AND MENORAH LIGHTING



Wednesday, Dec 2
(5 - 6 p.m.)
at Post Headquarters.



Featuring
Santa, candy & more!
For info call, 751-6990.



SATURDAY, DEC 12 (12 p.m.)

At Magraders Club & Pub (3305 Daniel Drive • 790-0381)

Come out and enjoy one of the biggest rivalries in college football on one of more than 15 TVs. Featuring giveaways and specials:

- » 8 wings and a 16oz domestic beer for only \$7.50!
- » 8 wings and a soda for only \$7!
- » Domestic pitchers for only \$5!



Limited time offer!



Get a pepperoni pizza & 12 wings for \$19.95

(with two 16oz fountain drinks for \$22.95)
at The Strike Zone Snack Bar
located inside Century Lanes
Bowling Center.

Offer good Nov 19 - 29

Cannot be combined with any other offer.
Strike Zone Snack Bar
4464 Gregg St. Fort Jackson, SC 29207
(803) 751-4656

MERRY FITNESS



Multi-Workout Extravaganza!

Tuesday, Dec 1 (4:30 - 7:00 p.m.)
At the Solomon Center
in the Special Events Area

FREE EVENT

Refreshments, mini massages,
door prizes and a great work out!
For more info, call 751-3700.



PRINCESS, SUPERHERO & VILLAIN PARTY

Brunch at the NCO Club
Sunday, Dec 13 (1 - 3 p.m.)

(1 - 2 p.m.) Children's Games & Activities,
Face Painting, & Story Time
(1:30 p.m.) The Princess & Villian Parade
along with a special visitor from the North Pole.
(1 - 3 p.m.) Buffet open.
(1:30 - 2 p.m.) Pictures with the Princess and
Villian Court, and our North Pole Special Guest.
Reservations accepted Dec. 1.
Adults: \$10. Children (4-11 years old): \$5
Children (3 and younger): No Charge
For reservations call 782-2218.

